

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 25-58 were pending in this application. Claim 57 has been canceled herein. Claims 25, 37, 49, 52 and 58 have been amended herein. No claims have been added. Upon entry of this response, claims 25-56 and 58 will be pending. No additional fee is due at this time.

The Examiner continues to reject all claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious in view of Published U.S. Patent Application 2003/0208421 to Vicknair et al. ("Vicknair"), or, in view of Vicknair in combination with U.S. Patent 5,784,610 to Copeland, III et al. ("Copeland"). However, the Examiner has graciously made a specific suggestion for overcoming the Vicknair reference, namely, the incorporation of recitations directed to the profiling database and its function into Applicants' independent claims. While not necessarily agreeing with the Examiner's position that Applicants' previous claims were obvious, Applicants have made such amendments herein, and also canceled dependent claim 57 and amended claim 58 for consistency with the amendment to claim 52. Applicants appreciate the Examiner assistance and willingness to move this application forward.

Applicants believe they have responded to the Examiner's concerns, and that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has concerns regarding the present amendment, a telephonic interview is requested. Reconsideration of this application as amended is hereby requested.

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